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19. The medicament according to claim 12 wherein the reverse phase column chromatography is performed by ODS column chromatography.

20. The medicament according to claim 13 wherein the reverse phase column chromatography is performed by ODS column chromatography.

21. The medicament according to claim 14 wherein the reverse phase column chromatography is performed by ODS column chromatography.---

REMARKS

By the above amendment, claims 3, 5, and 7 have been amended and claims 8 to 21 have been added to delete multiple dependency.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS

3. (Amended) The medicament according to claim 1 [or 2], wherein the lactic acid which is a repeating unit in the poly lactic acid, substantially consists of L-lactic acid.

5. (Amended) The medicament according to claim 1 [any of claims 1 to 3] wherein the mixture of cyclic and/or straight chain poly lactic acids having a condensation degree of 3 to 19 is a fraction obtained by condensing lactic acids by dehydration under an inactive atmosphere, subjecting the ethanol- or methanol-soluble fraction of the obtained reaction solution to reverse phase column chromatography, and eluting with 25 to 50 weight % acetonitrile aqueous solution of pH 2 to 3 and then with 90 weight % or more acetonitrile aqueous solution of pH 2 to 3.

7. (Amended) The medicament according to claim 5 [or 6] wherein the reverse phase column chromatography is performed by ODS column chromatography.